



*The call of Owasippe*





# To Parents

THE product of fifteen years of camping at Owasippe has indicated convincingly that Owasippe Campers *do* become physically fit, mentally awake, and morally straight boys and men.

What a splendid procession of youths—these thousands of Owasippe Campers—marching through life!

What fine physiques! What clear-eyed vision! What hopeful purposes!

## The Owasippe Camper

He is clean in his habits. He indulges wisely in athletics and is a good loser as well as a worthy victor.

He eats regularly, works hard and plays hard, and sleeps soundly at least eight hours out of the twenty-four.

His brain is alert. He advances in all branches of Scouting which is, in itself, a program of living for boys. He keeps up well in his studies. And he becomes a leader in turn just as naturally as he developed under the leadership of others.

### Typical Daily Program

6:30.....	Reveille and Flag Raising
6:35.....	Setting-Up Exercise
6:45.....	Morning Dip
7:15.....	Breakfast
7:45.....	Policing Camp
8:20.....	Sick Call
8:30.....	Construction and Pioneering
9:30.....	Scoutcraft Instruction
11:10.....	Morning Swim
12:15.....	Tent Inspection
12:30.....	Dinner and Mail Delivery
1:30.....	Trading Post Open
1:30.....	Quiet Hour
	(Write letters, rest, read, etc.)
2:30.....	Afternoon Hikes, Games, Boating
5:00.....	Afternoon Swim
5:45.....	Troop Inspection and Parade
6:25.....	Retreat and Evening Colors
6:30.....	Supper
7:15.....	Evening Games, etc.
8:15.....	Campfire, Stunts, and Other Evening Activities
9:15.....	Call to Quarters
9:25.....	Tattoo, Evening Prayers
9:30.....	Taps

Above everything else, he is a friend. He befriends the weak animal when it is oppressed by the strong. He helps the weak boy who is unable to bear a heavy burden. He is never a boaster of his own superiority.

He uses good English by preference. He realizes that some younger Scout may be following his example.

He never forgets to show his appreciation to his parents. He writes to them often and with an open heart.

He believes in the great Power that has given life. He feels safe under His guidance.





*Trees and breeze, crystal  
clear lakes and streams, a  
blue sky above, and adven-  
ture at every hand.*

# Owasippe Scout Camps

1926—Fifteenth Successful Season

Located near Whitehall, Mich.

(P. O. Address—Owasippe, Mich.)

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## Camps

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Dan Beard

West

McDonald

Blackhawk

Checaugau

Belnap





Morning! Sun's up—and so are we—right at the water's edge. Great to be alive and stretching every muscle!

REVEILLE starts each new day—and such days! With pals like these and many hours of outdoor living to the twenty-four—well, it's easy to start the day with a smile!



Oh, those short, thrilling minutes of the morning dip! Jump in, and out! That's right—not a trace of sleep left!



Hearty laughter and many willing hands soon put things to rights. Everyone shares in the work while it lasts. It doesn't last long!



WE'RE all quite alive now, thanks. Had breakfast. Now for camp cleanup. Work was never so much fun as at camp. We'll make our camp look as good as we feel!

And don't be too sure of winning that tent inspection. "He who works first laughs last," say the Scouts who did win.







Watch closely. Be sure he doesn't leave off a single one of your honor belt marks. You get 'em for—well, everything counts!

**B**Y nine o'clock everyone is ready for school. Experts teach campcraft, woodcraft, watercraft, naturecraft, and Indian craft. (Called "school" by the leaders but "fun" by the boys.)



Sky, woods, and water—and all the fixin's. A regular Scout's paradise. And they are all yours!



"That's a diamond-back terrapin," says Mr. Nature Expert. Everything that crawls, swims, or flies performs for you every waking hour.



THE regular morning swim brings hearty appetites for dinner. Don't worry — plenty of wholesome food cooked by Pullman chefs. "The Owasippe kitchens are beyond reproach," says the Chicago Board of Health.

Building a shelter as old Owasippe himself might have done it—great fun. Our Indian Chief tells us how.



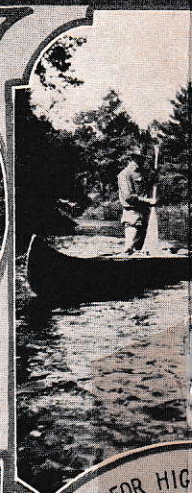




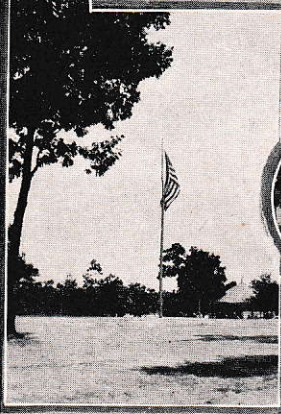
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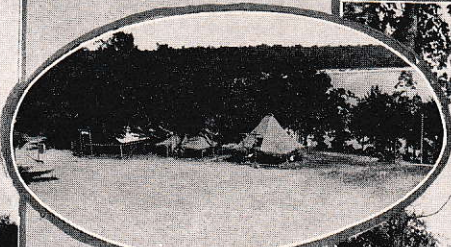
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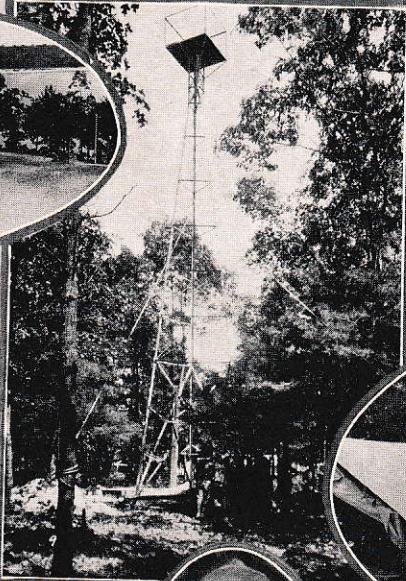
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CAMP COLORS



HIGH AND DRY CAMPS



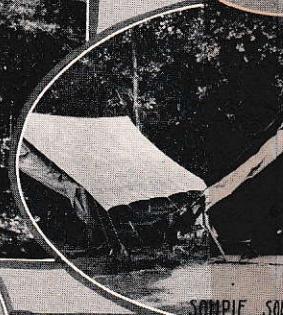
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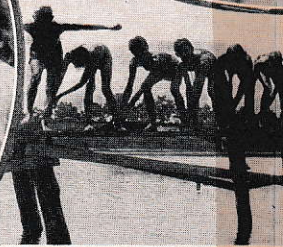
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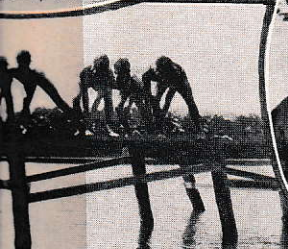
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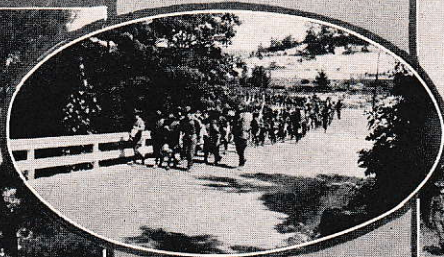
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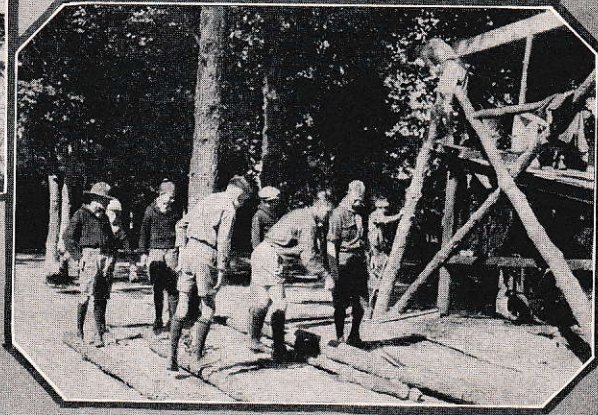


"WE'RE NINETY-NINE MILES FROM HOME"

GREAT BIG BEAUTIFUL LAKE!



TO THE COLORS



REAL BACKWOODS CAMPING



READY, SWIMMERS?



YEA COOKS ; YEA EATS!

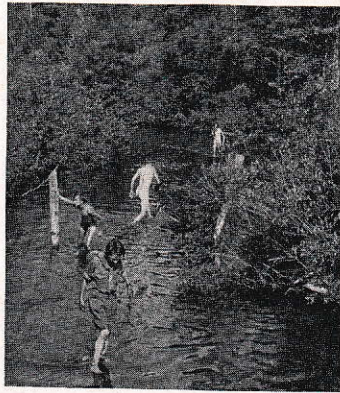




The big swim tops off the morning in grand style.



Beach croquet! My, what a gentle game!



Explore as you go. Test each rippling streamlet. Note that the sand is white and fine, the trees bright and green, and bending in a gentle breeze.



Get that arm just right. Remember that the cross-shoulder carry is one of the most useful. Good swimmers become better ones and learn life-saving methods under expert instruction.



Here's just a few moments when your heart beats for the doctor. First aid and medical aid—two important factors in any camp.



"Heave! Ho! Dig your feet in!" My, that must be a strong rope!

On your toes every minute and your eyes on the ball all the time. Volley ball keeps you on the move.







Still the Indian stamping grounds as of old. Half close your eyes—see the teepees?

QUIET hour after dinner—a good time for that letter home. And then, afternoon activities — boating, games, hikes, water sports, and instruction in Indiancraft and Indian dancing.



No one wears his own face in a circus—you can always do something to it for variety's sake. Such a circus! Such doings!

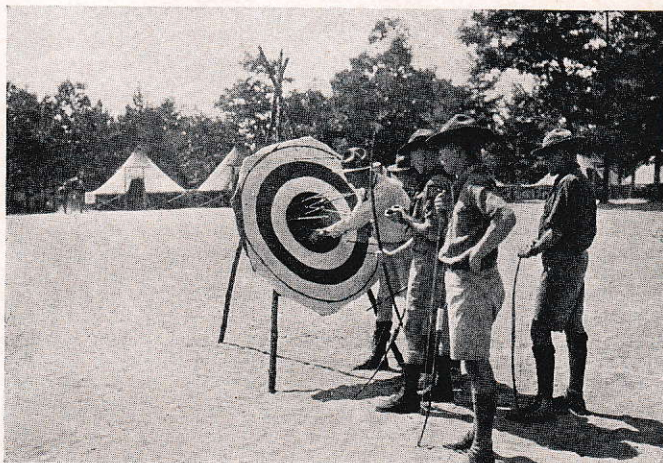




Two hundred and eighty of the Owaspippe Scouts—all happy—all good Scouts to know.



IT does seem as though the day ends all too soon; but dusk brings camp-fire and fresh new adventures in song, story, and stunts—with stars to wink down at us as we walk bunk-ward.



Archery, once the sport of kings and the pride of the Indian, is now the joy of the Scout.



# The Owasippe Scout Camps

THE Owasippe Scout Camps—Camp Dan Beard, Camp James E. West, and Camp McDonald, on

Crystal Lake, Camp Blackhawk and Camp Che-caugau on Big Blue Lake and Camp Belnap on Lake O-jib-way are situated near Whitehall, Michigan. These beautiful lakes, nestling among the hills, provide one of the choicest Scout camp sites in the country. Here is plenty of water for swimming, fishing, and boating. The lakes are protected from the storms incident to a big body of water. With the limitless woods and fields around, the Scout—your boy—finds opportunity for the fun and adventure he craves, and for the advancement in Scout work which he seeks. And you, as a parent, are sure he finds that degree of safety and comfort which you desire for him.

**LEADERSHIP**—The leadership of The Owasippe Scout Camps will be again this year on the same high level that has made the camps famous from one end of the country to the other. Men of character, expert in the leadership of boys and in the knowledge of Scoutcraft, camping, and the out-of-doors, will see to it that every day is made one of joy and growth for every camper. Every safety precaution known to camp management is given first consideration.

The Scout Executive of Chicago, G. B. Stephenson, working under the direction of the Camping Committee of the Chicago Council, will have general supervision of the camps. This will be Mr. Stephenson's fourth year in direct charge of the camps.

Paul B. Samson will again be the managing director of all the camps. Mr. Samson is one of the best known camp men in the United States. For many years he has been with the Department of Physical Education, State Normal School, Ypsilanti, Michigan. He served for two years as the Scout Executive of Toledo, Ohio.

During the summer of 1924 Mr. Samson was chosen by the Playground and Recreation Association of America to prepare for them a survey of camps all over this part of the country. This report was later included in a book by the MacMillan Company called "Organized Camping and Recreation."

The various camps will be under the leadership of the Chicago Field Executives: F. O. Bergquist, Carl A. Bryan, Allen R. Carpenter, Harry K. Eby, Carroll A. Edson, Mason Fields, Walter H. Gunn, and G. H. Schultz. These men need no introduction to Chicago Scouts.

**ACTIVITIES**—On another page will be found a typical day's program. All activities are carried on under very close supervision to assure absolute safety.

**SWIMMING**—Swimming is probably the most popular and healthful pastime of camp life. All scouts are divided into two classes; "Swimmers" and "Sinkers." The Sinkers wear the now famous "Sinker badge," consisting of a safety pin, a piece of red flannel, and a fish line sinker. Certified American Red Cross life savers and examiners will have charge of the swimming in all camps, and all Scouts must learn to swim. Owasippe has never lost a camper.

**HIKING**—There is always a keen anticipation of what is just beyond as you hike along the winding paths and Indian trails, or cut across country through miles and miles of forest land, lakes and streams. Sometimes on

overnight trips the night is spent in some of the abandoned log cabins or under hasty shelters of boughs, but most enjoyable of all is the opportunity of sleeping right out in the open with your feet to the campfire and the moon and stars above you peeking through the openings between the trees.

**RAINY DAYS**—Some of the old timers even look forward to a rainy day, for this means a complete change of activities: games, song fests, and reading around the roaring fire in snug quarters. In this sand country, with its perfect drainage, water is carried off as fast as it falls. When the rain stops, regular activities start again without an hour's wait for things to "dry off."

**PIONEERING**—Boys like to build things. Here there is an opportunity to do just this. Bridges, towers, piers, rafts, shacks, and dozens of other things are built by Scouts under these ideal conditions.

**HANDICRAFT**—This year an entirely new feature is to be added to the program of all the camps. Handicraft instructors have been secured and Scouts will have an opportunity to make dozens of smaller articles of wood, horn, leather and beads.

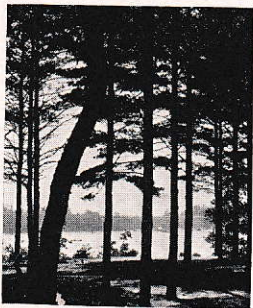
**NATURE STUDY**—A staff of experts in nature will be furnished. Every scout will have the opportunity of knowing nature at first hand. The bird hikes, the bug hikes, the tree hikes and all the others have proven mighty interesting in past years and with the better equipment to be furnished this year will no doubt be even more popular.

**FOOD**—Good, plain, well-cooked food, prepared by chefs from the Pullman Company's staff is supplied in abundance. Pure, good drinking water is secured from deep-driven wells inspected by the Chicago Board of Health. Ice, cut from our own lake, is supplied in abundance. The camps have their own milk pasteurization plant, the only camp in the country having such equipment. All dairy herds from which milk is served are tuberculin tested.

**TRADING POST**—Candy to a ten-cent daily limit may be bought at the "Trading Post." Writing material, stamps, souvenirs and scout supplies may also be purchased. The usual amount of spending money allowed each Scout per period is not in excess of two dollars.

**MEDICAL SUPERVISION**—The Department of Health of the City of Chicago and the American Red Cross are again cooperating in the selection of the medical staff. Qualified medical men will be in all of the camps at all times. The general hospital right on the grounds is in readiness for any emergency. Less than half of one per cent of Owasippe Campers are ever on the hospital records.

**RELIGIOUS LIFE**—The 12th Scout Law of Scouting—"A Scout is Reverent"—is not neglected in camp. On Sunday non-sectarian services are held for Protestants and Jews. Catholic mass is held in camp, or else the Catholic Scouts attend mass at a nearby church. A spirit of reverence towards God and of helpfulness towards one's fellows is not only present on Sundays but pervades the everyday life of the camp. Grace is said at all meals.



*"The Law of the Camp is the Scout Law."*



# Register for Owasippe NOW

## Here's the Plan!

### What to Take

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| 3 woolen blankets or equivalent weighing at least 10 pounds.<br>Scout summer uniform (if you have one) to be worn on trip. | 4 pairs stockings (preferably wool)<br>bathing suit or trunks<br>pocket knife<br>Scout handbook | safety pins, etc.<br>6 handkerchiefs             |
| 2 extra shirts suitable for outdoor wear   | 2 hand towels   | 1 small pair scissors                            |
| 1 extra pair shorts  | 2 bath towels   | pencil and paper                                 |
| 1 change of underwear  | toilet soap   | 1 heavy sweater                                  |
| 1 extra pair of strong shoes (not tennis slippers)   | comb  | 1 pair pajamas                                   |
|  | dentrifice  | 1 poncho or raincoat<br>Scout mess kit for hikes |

The following additional articles are desirable, but not necessary: Compass, musical instrument, camera, field glasses, rope, laundry bag, haversack or knapsack.

The above lists are complete for any length of time in camp and no other articles should be added. Baggage should consist of one large suitcase or telescope, blankets being rolled separately or carried by a shawl strap or similar means. The Scouts' baggage is carried for them to and from the docks and camp.

All articles of clothing must be plainly marked in indelible ink with Scout's full name, and a list of contents must be pasted inside each suitcase.

### Camp Periods

CAMP DAN BEARD, CAMP McDONALD AND CAMP WEST—Commencing June 28th and every second Monday thereafter for 5 periods.

CAMP BLACKHAWK AND CAMP CHECAUGAU—Commencing July 5th and every second Monday thereafter for 4 periods.

CAMP BELNAP—Commencing July 5th and every second Monday thereafter for 3 periods.

### When—Where—How to Get to Owasippe

Scouts leave on a regular boat of the Goodrich Transit Company, on Monday mornings at 8 a. m. Camp is reached in time for supper. Each Scout provides for his own lunch on the boat. The return trip is made the second Saturday arriving in Chicago around five o'clock in the evening.

Visitors driving to camp by automobile follow the M-11 paved road from the Indiana-Michigan State Line to the camp. A large sign marks the entrance to the camp road fourteen miles north of Muskegon and four miles south of Whitehall and White Lake.

Visitors' days are Thursdays and Sundays only.

### Fees

Fee for two-week period, \$15.00, including transportation; \$7.50 for each additional week; \$8.80 for one week only.

It's never too *early* to send in this blank—it may be too *late*.

Get your registration in now to your District Headquarters  
before the period you want is filled.

What to take?

Periods?

Cost?

How to get there?

All answered here!

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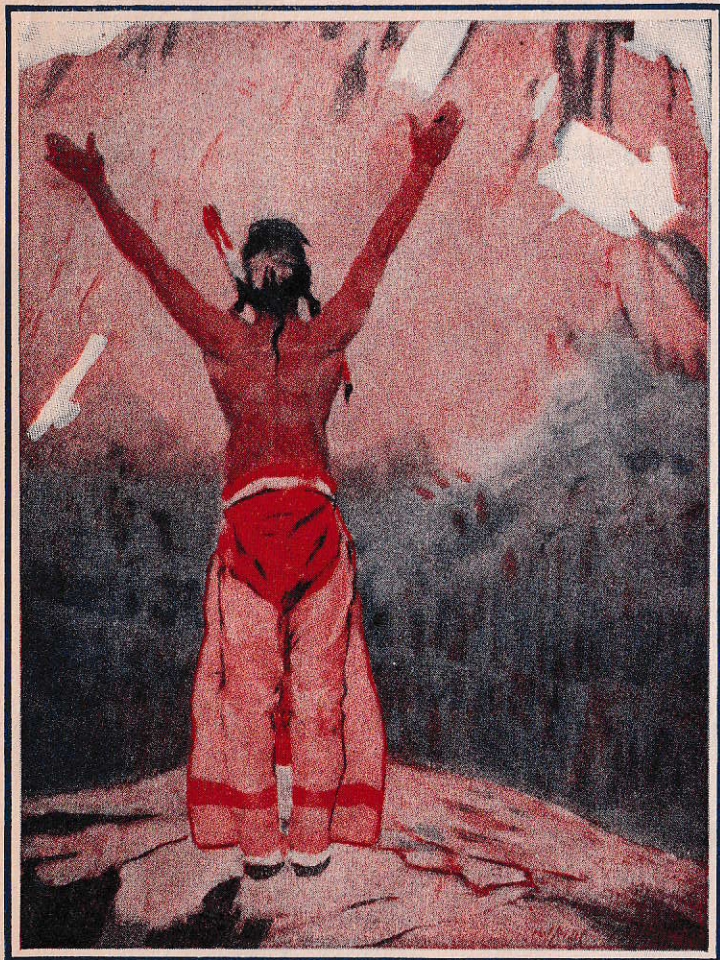






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